Table 3. Natural Gas Consumption in the United States, 1993-1999

(Billion Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Lease and Plant Fuel ^a	Pipeline Fuel ^b	Delivered to Consumers					
			Residential	Commercial ^c	Industrial	Electric Utilities	Total	Total Consumption
1993 Total	1,172	624	4,956	2,863	7,981	2,682	18,483	20,279
1994 Total	1,124	685	4,848	2,897	8,167	2,987	18,899	20,708
1995 Total	1,220	700	4,850	3,034	8,580	3,197	19,660	21,581
1996 Total	1,250	711	5,241	3,161	8,870	2,732	20,006	21,967
1997								
January	104	87	902	474	809	139	2.324	2.515
February	94	78	757	420	753	143	2.074	2.246
March	104	73	606	360	781	190	1,936	2,113
April	99	61	433	269	739	193	1,635	1,795
May	102	54	284	204	713	232	1,432	1,588
June	97	49	164	154	691	297	1,306	1,452
	101	52	128	144	686	429	1,306	1,432
July							,	,
August	101	51	118	140	721	391	1,369	1,522
September	99	49	129	142	691	333	1,295	1,443
October	102	52	234	190	711	244	1,379	1,533
November	99	65	497	306	743	180	1,725	1,889
December	101	80	731	414	794	197	2,136	2,318
Total	1,203	751	4,984	3,219	8,832	2,968	20,004	21,959
1998								
January	101	73	812	451	793	171	2,227	2,401
February	90	64	692	393	739	134	1,957	2,111
March	101	64	648	367	750	194	1,959	2,123
April	97	51	408	256	704	190	1.558	1.705
May	99	44	221	170	676	290	1,357	1,500
,	96	43	153	138	654	379	1,323	1,462
June								,
July	97	47	132	142	704	449	1,428	1,572
August	98	47	117	144	719	457	1,438	1,583
September	90	44	121	140	695	381	1,337	1,471
October	98	44	203	173	718	246	1,340	1,482
November	94	51	398	264	732	178	1,572	1,717
December	96	64	616	362	803	189	1,969	2,129
Total	1,157	635	4,520	3,005	8,686	3,258	19,469	21,262
1999								
January	106	76	903	484	791	179	2,356	2,538
February	96	63	680	398	725	152	1,955	2,114
March	106	64	660	383	729	206	1,978	2,149
April	101	53	417	265	682	256	1,619	1,773
•	101	46	234	184	686	273	1,378	1,773
May							,	,
June	101	43	155	148	673	324	1,300	1,445
July	103	46	129	146	670	436	1,381	1,530
August	RE103	R47	118	145	741	434	1,438	R1,588
September	102	43	136	144	738	281	1,299	1,444
October(STIFS)	105	48	210	178	721	NA	1,359	1,511
November(STIFS)	101	58	352	238	735	NA	1,534	1,693
December(STIFS)	105	66	655	379	805	NA	2,027	2,198
Total	1,232	654	4,650	3,094	8,694	_	19,625	21,511

^a Plant fuel data are only collected on an annual basis and monthly lease fuel data are only collected annually. Lease and plant fuel estimates have been between 6 and 7 percent of marketed production annually. Monthly lease and plant fuel use is estimated from monthly marketed production by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

Notes: Data for 1993 through 1998 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Estimates for the most recent three months are derived from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. In 1996, consumption of natural gas for agricultural use is classified as industrial use. In 1995 and earlier years, agricultural use was classified as commercial use. See Explanatory Note 5 for further explanation.

Sources: 1993-1998: Energy Information Administration (EIA): Form EIA-627, "Annual Quantity and Value of Natural Gas Report," (thru 1994), Form EIA-895 "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," (1995 forward), Form EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," EIA computations, and *Natural Gas Annual 1998*. January 1999 through the current month: EIA: Form EIA-895, Form EIA-857, Form EIA-759, and STIFS computations. See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 5, for computation procedures and revision policy.

b Pipeline fuel use is only collected on an annual basis. Annually it is between 3 and 4 percent of total consumption. Monthly pipeline fuel data are estimated from monthly total consumption(excluding pipeline fuel) by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

^c Deliveries to Commercial consumers for 1993-1998 include vehicle fuel deliveries, which totaled, in billion cubic feet, 1.0 in 1993, 1.7 in 1994, 2.7 in 1995, 2.9 in 1996, 4.4 in 1997, and 5.1 in 1998.

Revised Data.

RE Revised Estimated Data.

NA Not Available.

Not Applicable.